

Senate District Q

Thomas H. Tom Wagoner, Republican Moderate



DATE OF BIRTH: September 19, 1942
PLACE OF BIRTH: Pylesville, Maryland
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LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 33 years
Kenai 1969 to present

EDUCATION:
Pomeroy High School, 1960, Diploma; Eastern Washington University, 1966, B.A., 1969, B.A. Education; University of Alaska Anchorage, 1980, Masters Education Administration.

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Kenai City Council, 3 years, Alaska Post Secondary Committee, 3 years; Kenai City Mayor, 3 years; Alaska Student Loan Corporation, 1 year.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Owned, Wagoner s Seamless Flooring, 1967-1968; owned, Wagoner s Flooring, 1971-1975; owned, Peninsula Flooring Center, 1986-1993; vocational education coordinator, business manager/budget officer, dean of vocational education, dean of instruction, Kenai Peninsula Community College.

SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Charter member, Kenai Rotary Club; board of directors, Kenai Chamber; past president, Kenai Chamber of Commerce, advisory board, Salvation Army.

STATEMENT:

My political philosophy encompasses the beliefs of the moderate Republican who is fiscally conservative, but moderate when funding education. Our children are the future of our state. We must give more attention to the education of these children. Every student in Alaska deserves the best education we can afford.

Alaskans, first and foremost, need good paying jobs to provide for their families. A large part of the formula involves a strong education. A second part of the formula is a strong economy. Good jobs come with economic expansion, but there won't be economic expansion in Alaska unless we balance our operating budget. Corporations and companies who can create jobs for Alaskans will not invest in a state with a billion dollar budget gap.

As for the Permanent Fund, I believe in protecting our dividend, and I have three strong reasons for this stance:

- 1.) This is the best economic stimulant to our economy on the Peninsula.
- 2.) If politicians are allowed to reduce or take your Permanent Fund Dividend, there aren't any guarantees that the Legislature would use these funds to balance the budget. (They could go on a spending spree.)
- 3.) You, not the Legislature, can do a better job spending your Dividend.

Just remember one thing: if the Legislature continues to ignore our budget gap, our dividend is the largest and most accessible pool of money available!

Thank you for reading my stand on these issues, and I would appreciate your vote on November 5, 2002.

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